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By ARTHUR SAUL SUTER

MY grandfather, who was a Hasidic Jew, used to say that a Jew who found himself up against an apparently insurmountable difficulty had a weapon which others did not possess. He could always read a chapter of the Psalms. And what is more, he would add, never forget that there are 150 chapters of Psalms and so Jewish patience and fortitude can be extended almost indefinitely. He, like many of his family in London, was inordinately addicted to diplomacy. They gathered together in their little synagogues when the morning prayers were over, the due chapter of the Law learned and a satisfying portion of Talmud debated, they would address themselves to the problem of the world. The authorities upon whom they drew for little relation to the great names which fly so readily to the lips of modern economists and commentators. Their pundits were Samuel Ibn Nagelsa at the court of the Caliph, or Abayvanel, or Joseph Duke of Naxos. Moreover their logic matched much more of the terminology of the Talmud than it did of the favour of latter day State Papers.

BUT they had something which moderns lack. They had a sense of eternity, a tendency to give moral values their proper importance and they therefore weighed great or small nations in the same balance. Their sense of history had given them too realistic a notion of the utterly temporal nature of earthly power. They trusted not in princes nor in the children of mortal men who had none of the vital stuff of salvation. They completely identified the past with the present (Moscow, London, Rome and Athens, were always referred to in the present tense) and they had not the slightest doubt of the infinity and happy nature of the Jewish future. For Messianism was an article of their faith.

THE generation to which I these men belonged came to some interesting practical conclusions as a result of their long cogitations. One of them was that not only would there be a Jewish State, but that it would be a Jewish State in Palestine speedily and in their days - here they anticipated a little - but that State would continue to exist, despite the great array of powers which might be marshalled to bring about its downfall. Their grandchildren, we are our generation, interpret life in a different key. They use the modern terminology. They discuss the reports of the State of Israel in the light of the techniques of statecraft, but the old tradition still survives. Faced with ultimatum and threats, they will fight for their people's right to live in their own land.

WHEN the threat of mass work by the 1st test declaration of President Eisenhower, Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, answered it in a television interview in language which was in the tradition of the great Jewish tradition. Should the U.N. lay before Israel the choice between death and endurance of great hardship, she stated, then the choice would be hardship. The tenor of our history is that such hardships endured in the unbreakable faith of a glorious future, have always had one result only - the strengthening of the people and its right to strive towards even greater achievement.

WE mourn the death of our dear friend and business associate Dr. Otto Feuerstein and express our deepest sympathy to the bereaved family.

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Two Weizmann Workers Killed By Mine off Gaza

REHOVOT, Monday. — Two members of the Weizmann Institute of Science were killed today when their jeep struck a mine on a road between Rehovot and Ashdod.

According to the police, Moshe Klig, 36, of Tel Aviv, and Yehoshua Peta, 30, of Rehovot, were returning to leave the mine road in that area as it had not yet been completely cleared of mines following the Sinai campaign.

The two bodies were taken to the Institute for Forensic Medicine in Tel Aviv.

Villager Shoots Leopard near Safad

SAFAD, Monday. — A huge leopard, a metre-and-a-half long, with a tail another metre long, was shot and killed near Akkara village, 4 miles south of the town last night.

For some weeks a beast of prey had been causing havoc among the sheep and calves of the village. Yesterday morning the beast killed another large calf and carried it off. But a large number of bloodstains marked the route of escape.

Muhammad off, armed and shot the leopard dead with his first bullet. Later he found that he had hit the beast exactly in the heart. The beautiful skin now adorns the proud hunter's home.

The last time a "big cat" was hunted in Galilee was in 1944, when a senior British official caught a young leopard, which he presented to the Tel Aviv Zoo.

Dr. Schuller of the Hebrew University, adds that while the last leopards known to have lived in this country were killed about 30 years ago, they are still fairly common in Syria and the Lebanon. In cold winters they are driven from their native forests by heavy snows and come down south into Israel. If wounded, they would be liable to turn on an attacker, and would be capable of killing him.

62 More Arrested In Hungary

VIENNA, Monday (Reuters). — About 62 people were arrested in Hungary in the second half of last week, according to reports reaching here today.

"East Hungary" reported that in various Budapest night clubs police arrested 50 persons, including 40 former prisoners.

"New Akarat" said that two men, Istvan Bartok and Jozsef Kovacs, had been arrested for slandering people's democracies and planned murder of several Communists.

During a house search at a Budapest students home, 13 students and a professor, Bela Monus, were arrested. The students were later released, but the professor remained under arrest because leaflets had been found in his apartment.

"New Budapest" reported that 10 people had been arrested in Nagykanizsa and would soon have to face trial before a military court on charges of sabotage.

Meanwhile, 35-year-old married student, Jozsef Tosi, faced a municipal court in Budapest today. She is accused of murdering a security police agent, as well as attempted murder, incitement and concealing weapons.

A woman judge and two men judges are hearing the first major public trial arising out of the revolt of October and November. Scores tried to enter the courtroom, but admission was by ticket only. Hungarians and foreign journalists were allowed in and photographers took pictures of the accused from behind the bench.

HEUSS CONFINED TO BED WITH CHILL

BONN, Monday (Reuters). — President Theodor Heuss of West Germany was today ordered to bed for "acute days" by his doctors, but the Presidential Office said it would not affect his departure for the U.S. next month. He has a chronic chill and bronchial inflammation.

GERMAN UNITY

LONDON, Monday (Reuters). — The working party of officials from Britain, France, West Germany and the U.S. on German reunification was interpreted as testimony to such a step.

Meanwhile, two Egyptian

Britain Standing By 3-Power Declaration

LONDON, Monday (INA). — Despite the termination of the Anglo-Jordan treaty, Britain remains committed to the defence of Jordan's frontiers under the Tripartite Declaration of 1950. This was indicated in the Commons this afternoon by the Minister of State for the Foreign Office, Mr. David Ormsby-Gore.

Greece Urges U.N. To Back Enosis

NEW YORK, Monday (Reuters). — Greece today tabled a resolution in the U.N. Political Committee that would have the General Assembly express the wish that the people of Cyprus be given the opportunity to determine their own future by the application of their right to self-determination.

At the same time, it said proposed that the U.N. call on the Greek Government to "take effective measures to prevent support or encouragement from Greece for terrorism in Cyprus."

Debate in the Committee on the Cyprus issue opened with a speech by the Greek Foreign Minister, Mr. Evangelos Averoff, in which he said that Greece was neither British nor Turkish, he said, and Greece only supported the "right of Cypriots freely to dispose of themselves."

He denounced the "impertinent colonialism" of the present British Government.

The British delegate, Commander Allan Noble, said the Greek Government was interested only in Enosis (the island's union with Greece) and the principal object of the Greek campaign was to create conditions in Cyprus which might "give colour to the Greek case here at the U.N."

He said major acts of terrorism had been deliberately timed to coincide with U.N. consideration of the Cyprus question and that Athens Radio had used the occasion as a reason for urging Cypriots to "greater acts of terrorism."

Britain has recognized the principle of self-determination for Cyprus, he said, but application of this principle "without any regard to circumstances would be subversive of the peace and could only lead to chaos."

2 EOKA Men Killed, 1 Seized in Clashes

NICOSIA, Monday (Reuters). — General Douglas Kendrew, director of anti-terrorist operations in Cyprus, and Colonel Geoffrey White, Chief of the Cyprus Police, said today that two EOKA guerrillas were killed and one captured in south-west Cyprus this afternoon. Both men escaped with bruises.

It was officially announced tonight that two EOKA guerrillas had been shot dead and another, with 55,000 on his head, had been captured in south-west Cyprus in the past 24 hours. One British soldier was killed in the clash.

The captured man was named as Christos Lenna, 24, described officially as an important EOKA village group leader in the south-west mountains.

Work Starts on Remaining Ships Blocking Suez Canal

ISMAILIA, Monday. — The German salvage team which last Friday completed the removal of the cement-laden barge Akha has immediately begun work on the removal of the 200-ton barge Jatal at Galia. Officials in Cairo said the success of their journey came as no surprise because the vessels are small and maneuverable.

A U.N. spokesman quoted Lieutenant-General Raymond Wheeler, U.N. salvage chief, as saying that the Egyptian Canal Authority is doing "excellent work" for the rehabilitation of workshops on the Canal.

He said equipment for the workshops was expected to arrive from France this week.

The spokesman said that Wheeler had agreed with the Egyptian Authority that the Egyptians would be the ones to remove the barge from the Canal.

Elizabeth Not Planning To Visit America

LONDON, Monday (Reuters). — Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh have no immediate plans to visit the U.S. and Canada. It was officially stated here today.

The statement came from a Foreign Office spokesman who said that the Queen and the Duke were not planning to visit the U.S. this autumn.

Israel Makes New Proposals To Break Deadlock with U.S.

No Reply to Basic Questions Ben-Gurion Sees Lawson

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Israel yesterday made a renewed attempt to break the deadlock with the U.S. over the withdrawal from Egyptian territory by making new proposals to the American Ambassador, Mr. Edward B. Lawson, who was requested to come to Jerusalem by Prime Minister Ben-Gurion. The meeting took place at Mr. Ben-Gurion's home.

Israel Firm on Request For UNEF to Remain in Gulf

Israel insists that some solution must be found to the problems of the Gulf of Akaba and the Gaza Strip other than a return to the status quo ante and asked for the implementation of its rights in the Suez Canal. In reply to President Eisenhower's message on Sunday, the statement handed by Ambassador Eban to Mr. Dulles asked for "urgent conversations" with the U.S. on Israel's proposals.

The statement pointed out that the U.S. Government had unilaterally blocked Israel's shipping and used the Gaza Strip as a source of armed infiltration. This Egyptian policy presents a danger to Israel's national interests and to peace in the area. It was stated, and preventive measures should be taken.

Supporting the plan for UNEF, the U.N. force in the Sinai, Israel asked that the U.N. force be stationed in the Sinai, as Israel forces withdrew, Israel asked that these units remain until a peace settlement is achieved or until an agreed and permanent arrangement for freedom of navigation is otherwise secured.

Israel Complaints Legitimate, But Should Withdraw Like

THOMASVILLE, Monday (UP). — In a statement issued yesterday on the Israeli-American talks for the withdrawal of Israeli troops behind the 1949 Armistice Lines, President Eisenhower urged Israel to evacuate the Gulf of Akaba area, though he recognized Israel's "legitimate grievances" against Egypt.

The President asked Israel to rely on the "resolution" of the U.N. Security Council to solve its difficulties rather than on "an occupation continued contrary to the overwhelming judgment of the world community."

A veiled hint that the U.S. might support sanctions against Israel was seen in the closing lines of the President's statement, which emphasized continued American support for the U.N. The General Assembly was due to meet tomorrow with Arab delegations ready to press for economic and military sanctions against Israel.

Israel's View

In his statement, issued as the State Department released the text of its side memo to Israel on February 11, the President recognized that "Israel would prefer to have the future status of the Gaza Strip definitely settled to its satisfaction prior to its withdrawal and as a condition thereto. But all Nations are solemnly bound by the Charter to settle their international disputes by peaceful means."

Arab Leaders Accept Nasser's Invitation

Abdul Nasser's call for an Arab leaders' conference in Cairo on February 20 has been accepted by President Shukry Kuwari of Syria, King Saud and Jordan's King Hussein, it was reported yesterday.

The four leaders will discuss the Eisenhower doctrine and Saudi's talks in Washington, Madrid, Tunis and Libya.

USSR ATTACKS ISRAEL ON REFUGEE ISSUE

UNITED NATIONS, Monday (INA). — Israel was again attacked here today by the Soviet delegation, this time on the question of the Arab refugees. Addressing the Special Political Committee, Mr. Georgi Zarinin, Soviet representative, demanded that the refugees be either repatriated to their homes in Israel or paid "full compensation."

Declaring that the problem of the Arab refugees had remained unsolved and that the number of refugees was increasing, Mr. Zarinin said that the U.N. General Assembly should be asked to insist that the decision of the Assembly "must be carried out in practice."

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ARRIVALS
Mr. S. Rosensa, Legal
adviser to the Foreign Ministry,
from Europe (by El Al).
Dr. H. Gruenbaum, repre-
sentative in Europe of Bank
Leumi, from London (by El Al).
Mr. Cecil Gordon and Mr.
Asher Rahab, from London
(both by El Al).
Mr. Zev Laqueur, from
London (by El Al).
DEPARTURES
Dr. David Danon, of the
Weizmann Institute, for a
two-month study tour in
Switzerland, France and Sweden.
A COLLECTOR for "Bus-
ness Diary," Ernest Diamant,
of Haifa, was arrested on Sun-
day on a charge of having
embezzled I.L.A. funds, which he
had collected for the maga-
zine. He is said to have ad-
mitted the charge and has
been held in detention.

CABAL COMPANY sales of
Israeli-made packing cartons
in 1956 topped \$1.5m., the
Company announced. In Ja-
nuary this year the Company
sold nearly \$1,000,000 worth
of cartons, and expects to
reach \$1.5m. in 1957.
Mrs. Olga Kishinev, 45,
yesterday jumped from the
Progressive Party building in
King George Street, Tel Aviv.
She was taken to the Hadassah
Hospital, but died shortly
afterwards.

A PREVIEW showing of the
Technicolor film "Destination
Lodha" was held at the
Tel Aviv Cinema this week for
travel agents and newspaper
editors. The plot revolves
around the theme: luxury in
America versus happiness in
Israel.
THE LOTTERY of prizes of-
fered by the Magen David
Adom will be held next Sun-
day at 4 p.m. at the Magen
David hall in Tel Aviv.

**Miss Thompson Visits
Weizmann Institute**
Miss Dorothy Thompson,
the American newspaper col-
umnist, and her husband, Mr.
Maximilian Kopp, the artist,
yesterday visited the Weiz-
mann Institute of Science and
were received by the Chair-
man of the Scientific Commit-
tee, Prof. Isaac Ben-Zur.
They paid their respects at
the grave of Dr. Chaim Weiz-
mann.

**Oil Signs Seen
At Heletz 14, 15**
TEL AVIV, Monday. — Signs
of oil were discovered at
Heletz 14 and 15 yesterday
at a depth of 1,370 and 1,540
meters respectively. It was
announced here today. The
Lapidot and the Oil Prospector
companies, which hold the
Heletz concessions, decided
to continue drilling.
Meanwhile, progress is re-
ported from the other wells
in the area. At Heletz 16, a
depth of 4,000 feet was re-
ached today; at Heletz 17, 1,967
feet; Heletz 18, 2,500 feet;
Heletz 19, 2,800 feet; Heletz
20, 70 feet; and Heletz 21,
974 feet.
Drilling is expected to be-
gin shortly at a second site
near Adom, and at a later
date deep in the Arava.

**Our dearly beloved mother
Rosa Burstein**
passed away in Johannesburg, South Africa,
on February 15, 1957.
Deeply mourned by her children.
SALLY and ERWIN, Jerusalem
We deeply mourn the death of our
beloved husband and brother
**Johann Gotthold (JANEX)
Niederhoffer**
The funeral took place on Sunday, Feb. 17, 1957.
Please refrain from condolence visits.
THE BEAVER FAMILY

Judge Excludes 3 Counts From Shura Allegations

By SHALOM COHEN
TEL AVIV, Monday. — The
Amos Ben-Gurion v. Shura
Hamidav case was re-
duced in scope today when
the court announced its de-
cision to exclude three
allegations from the pro-
ceedings. The three Shura
charges, including one in-
volving Mr. Yitzhak Rabin,
M.K., were ruled yesterday
by Mr. Shmuel Tamir, Coun-
sel for the defendants, and
were the first of a large num-
ber of other allegations.
Mr. Amos Ben-Gurion, Fel-
low Deputy Inspector Gen-
eral, is suing four members of
the Shura for libel.

Announcing the decision of
the three judges, Dr. Kister
declared that the cases were
irrelevant to the trial. He de-
clared that the Shura's de-
fense could not have sub-
mitted evidence against the
defendant, directly to his su-
periors (rather than publish-
ing them). There was, he
said, the Knesset or the State Con-
troller for such exigencies, he
said.

Cordially Challenged
The judge observed that no
doubt Mr. Tamir would find
ways of challenging the credi-
bility as a witness of Mr.
Ben-Gurion, Inspector General of
Police, even without these
cases. The judge would also
exclude from his deliberations
Mr. Ben-Gurion's testimony on these
cases, already given when
he was questioned by Mr.
Cupit Counsel for the State
Attorney. I would not be right
to introduce the subsidiary cases,
he said, in the absence of the
main persons concerned.

Dr. Zeltner, the Presiding
Judge, added that the trial
could at the present rate, last
months or a year and cost
the public much time and
money. "Justice delayed is
justice denied," he quoted.
Mr. Tamir, in undisputed
indignation, immediately ad-
vised the Bench to adjourn the
hearing as he wished to ap-
peal to the High Court.
The Bench, however, de-
clined to do so. Mr. Ben-
Gurion, who had been ques-
tioned by Mr. Cupit, was
asked to continue his testi-
mony.

ISRAEL FIRM

(Continued from page 2)
The U.N. will have involun-
tarily become responsible for
expediting the renewed viola-
tion of international law."
Turning to the problem of
the Gaza Strip, the Presid-
ing Judge pointed out that
the Strip was never Egyptian
territory but was occupied
only on the basis of an Ar-
mistice Agreement which Egypt
had violated. Time and again
on the basis of its claim of a
"state of war" and in viola-
tion of Security Council de-
clarations.

The statement declared, "In
these circumstances, there is
no basis for the restoration
of the status quo ante in Gaza
by the return of Egypt to an
area which she used exclu-
sively for the purpose of
establishing an aggressive
base against Israel." The
steps immediately envisaged
by Israel are the withdrawal
of Israeli forces and the dis-
cussion of a suitable rela-
tionship between the U.N. and
the local and Israeli ad-
ministrative services.

Aside from this restoration
of a plan for Israel's partici-
pation in the civil govern-
ment of the strip, the state-
ment announced Israel's
readiness to solve the Strip's
problems.

Israel was prepared to
make a "supreme effort" to
raise the living standards of
the Gaza residents. It would
also contribute to a U.N. pro-
gramme for resettling the re-
fugee population. Egypt
by payment of compensation
and by accepting responsibility
for settling a part of the re-
fugees.

In this connection, also,
the statement suggested urgent
consultations with the U.S.
to formulate a "suitable arrange-
ment" which might be sub-
mitted to the U.N. An early
step should be the investiga-
tion of the conditions in the
Strip by a "suitable mission."
Egypt's belligerent acts in
the Strip and her blockade
of the fundamental
character of the Armistice
Agreement, according to the
Israeli statement. Instead of it
being a transition to peace,
Egypt regarded the Agree-
ment as an expression of a
state of war. However, while
Israel could not be legiti-
mately expected to resume ad-
herence to the nullified Agree-
ment, the statement declared,
Israel does not seek belliger-
ent rights against Egypt and
undertakes to refrain from
hostile acts, on the basis of
reciprocity.

Fuel Position May Worsen—Carmel

Jerusalem Post Report
The Minister of Transport,
Mr. Moshe Carmel, told the
Knesset yesterday that the
fuel situation was still de-
teriorating and might even de-
stabilize.

He was presenting for its
first reading a bill to extend
until August 1 the validity
of emergency regulations
restricting the use of vehicles.
The bill was referred to the
Economic Committee, with
only 100 Against Yarnot
voting against.

The imposition of zoning
and a weekly day of rest for
vehicles resulted in a 15 per
cent drop in the use of motor
fuel in December, the first
month, Mr. Carmel said.
He said that of a total of
2,000 private cars, only 1,300
were used, or less than one
percent, had been com-
pletely exempted from restric-
tions. These included cars
used by the police, fire de-
partment and some public in-
stitutions.

In his reply to the short
debate, Mr. Carmel said that
the Ministry of Transport
was considering the possi-
bility of adding a second
day of rest to the existing
one. However, the main
factor saving from private
vehicles came from the
restriction to one zone, he
said.

He agreed with Mr. I. Ro-
sen, Minister of Defense, that
this country's needs for
fuel are enormous, and said
that, in general, import li-
censes for large cars were
not granted to private per-
sons.

**Mr. Sahar said he had not
studied the bill. Asked for a
particular document, Mr. Sa-
har said that he could not
hand it to Tamir, as it was
secret. Mr. Tamir turned to the
Bench and requested that he
be ordered to do so.
For an hour, both sides cited
legal precedents as to the im-
munity of public documents.
Mr. Toussie Cohen,
counsel for one of the four
Bench members, contended that
the Bench should examine doc-
uments in question and de-
cide as to their secrecy.
Following a short consulta-
tion, Judge Zeltner maintained
Mr. Sahar's right of refusal,
adding that he regretted hav-
ing to do so.
The hearing will be re-
sumed tomorrow, and from
then on will last all day.**

TEAR-JERKER
Several hundred persons
began weeping suddenly on
Sunday night at the Arnon
cinema in Jerusalem during
a showing of "Running Wild,"
a film on juvenile delin-
quency.

When order was restored,
the film was continued. The
delinquent students were ques-
tioned by the police on sus-
picion of setting off a home-
made gas bomb. The stu-
dents claimed that they
were taking home a bottle
of chemicals to perform ex-
periments. They said they had
put the bottle against a chair
when a member of the
audience, Yitzhak Zidkiyah,
17, stumbled against it,
causing it to explode.

Wave of Thefts Hits Tel Aviv

TEL AVIV, Monday. — In
the past few weeks a daily
average of about a dozen
thefts from homes and shops
has been made by thieves,
which is much higher than the
"normal" number of such
crimes. Many of these at-
tempts have succeeded because
people have left their prop-
erty open or unattended.

The latest police record
shows that the thieves of late
have taken larger sums than
usual. From the flat of Mr.
A. Wolfson, 28 Rehov Me-
halel, I.L.A.500-worth of jew-
ellery and cash was stolen.

Entered by Balcony
The thieves entered the
apartment by lifting the shut-
ters to the balcony, breaking
the glass and opening the
window-door from the inside.
From the home of Mr. Y. Za-
manovitz, of 24 Rehov Jeru-
salem, Bat Yam, thieves ob-
tained I.L.A.400-worth of cash
and jewellery, after breaking
the glass of the door and
opening it from the inside.

Thieves climbed onto the
roof of 101 Rehov Ben Zabi-
rai and entered the home of
Miss Yedid Hakman through
the balcony, after lifting the
shutters. They made off with
I.L.A.200 worth of cash and
jewellery.

About I.L.A.1,000 worth of
goods, including quantities of
Nescafé were stolen from the
grocery shop of Wagner in
9 Rehov Ben-Zion, Ben-Zion.
Another I.L.A.444 worth of
theft was made in a shop
by thieves in one day in eight
other house-breaking cases.

**Dr. Moses did not agree
that the present rule of an-
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Committee Hopes to Cut Civil Service by 1,000

Jerusalem Post Report
In spite of stiff resistance by Government Min-
istries to extensive dismissals, it is hoped to reduce
Government personnel by 1,000, a member of the Knesset
ad-hoc committee for cutting the proposed 1957/58
budget by I.L.15m., said
last night.

He added that it was hoped
to discuss dismissals at
their meeting in Tel Aviv on
Thursday.
The retrenchment commit-
tee has heard evidence from
the Directors-General of most
Ministries and it is un-
derstood that cuts will be
achieved through shelving
proposed increases in public
services and improving effi-
ciency in existing ones, rather
than in any actual reduction in
government facilities. It is
believed that every effort will
be made to avoid cuts in med-
ical and educational ser-
vices.

No progress has been made
in the last week by the Coali-
tion executive and their party
colleagues in the Ministry of
Ministers. The Ministerial
Committee on the ways and means
of implementing the retrench-
ment programme.

The Finance Committee
which has to approve the
1957/58 budget in time to
enable the Knesset to discuss
it before the end of the fiscal
year on March 31, has not
even begun to tackle the items
which are unaffected by the
retrenchment proposals.

The amendments to the pro-
posed budget which involve a
sum of I.L.1. will not reach
the Finance Committee and
Ministry before next week.
This will involve some very
highly concentrated study, if
all the budget items are to be
covered according to schedule.

The two main unemployment
problems facing the Finance
Ministry are the finding of
work for 100,000 new immi-
grants and for those made
idle by the retrenchment dis-
missals.

It is hoped to absorb some
60,000 new immigrants in agri-
culture, some of the remain-
der in skilled employment and
others in building projects.
No programme for redundant
workers has as yet been
drafted.

**Dr. Moses did not agree
that the present rule of an-
onymity should be abolished
regarding officials whose mis-
takes were uncovered by the
State Controller's office. Mis-
takes might be partly due to
misleading instructions re-
ceived from a senior official.
The remedy for an admitted-
ly unsatisfactory state of af-
fairs, in which officials escap-
ed the penalty of their own
indiscretions, lay in the draft-
ing of more specific regu-
lations governing the conduct
of civil servants.**

Labour Laws Pass Final Reading

Jerusalem Post Report
Two labour laws passed
their final readings in the
Knesset yesterday, after a
number of minority amend-
ments by Herut, the General
Electors and the Communists
were voted down.

While all three Opposition
parties voted against the Law
for the Settlement of Labour
Disputes, only Herut voted
against the Collective Agree-
ments Law. The two bills
were presented by Mr. A.
Govrin, chairman of the La-
bour Committee.

The Labour Disputes Bill
provides for the settlement
of disputes by two methods
— mediation and arbitration.
Mediation is obligatory if re-
quested by one of the parties
or by the Chief Commissioner
of Labour Relations. The de-
cision of the mediator is not
binding.

Arbitration, on the other
hand, is not compulsory. But
once resorted to, the decision
of the arbitration board is
binding.

The principal provision of
the Collective Agreements
Law is the authorizing of the
Labour Minister to broaden
the application of a collec-
tive agreement by imposing
it on all employees in a par-
ticular industry.

It also provides that only
an existing employees organ-
ization, and not an ad hoc
body, may be recognized as
a collective bargaining agent.
Only one organization is per-
mitted to represent the work-
ers in any one firm.

Mr. E. Shostak (Herut)
wished to limit the Minister's
authority to enlarge the scope
of collective agreements. New
firms, in particular, should
not be automatically included
in such agreements. He sug-
gested that the Minister
should be authorized to en-
large the scope of collective
agreements only after a re-
ferral to the Labour Disputes
Committee.

The Labour Disputes Bill
passed its first reading on
May 21, 1956, and the Collec-
tive Agreements Bill on Oc-
tober 31, 1955.

Cables in Brief

CRASH. — Two crew mem-
bers were injured and only
slightly, when a Royal Can-
adian Air Force Mitchell
bomber crashed into a house
in suburban St. James, Mani-
toba, near Winnipeg's Seven-
thirty field station. No one
was in the house at the time.

FORD. — The Ford Motor
Co. yesterday put up its car,
van and tractor prices, adding
about 5 per cent to the
price of cars and vans and
about 4 per cent to that of
tractors.

CHINA. — China expects
a record harvest this year
provided there are no great
natural disasters. Minister of
Agriculture Liao Yen told a
conference in Peking yester-
day.

COMMUNISTS. — The Cen-
tral Committee of the French
Communist Party has re-
elected Charles Tillon, for-
mer member of its Political
Bureau who was removed
from office in 1952 for hav-
ing an erroneous concept of
the policy and principles of
the Party.

CANDIDATE. — Mahmoud
Thato, reported to be 149
years old and head of a fam-
ily of over 100, has been re-
ported as a candidate for the
local elections next
month in Azerbaijan. Mos-
cow radio reported yesterday.

TANKERS. — The U.S. Of-
fice of Defense Mobilization
has approved Federal tax re-
bates to assist the financing
of oil tanker construction to-
talling \$57.5m. to the Esso
shipping company of New
York and 145m. to the
Oil Company of Marcus
Hook, Pennsylvania.

JAGUARS. — The Jaguar car
plant at Coventry, partly de-
stroyed by fire last week, re-
sumed production yesterday
with a target of 100 cars a
week compared with the nor-
mal 350. The firm's 4,000
workers have agreed to work
a three-day week at present.

**Gift Parcels Said Used
To Beat Currency Rules**
TEL AVIV, Monday. — Gift
parcels imported had become
a means of out-flanking regu-
lations, and the Government
therefore established "Ami-
san" Ltd. as the central par-
cel agency. Mr. A. Halvay, di-
rector of the Food Division of
the Ministry of Commerce
and Industry, said in the Dis-
trict Court today.

More than 1 out of every 3 Filter Cigarettes smoked is an Ascol. A Product of Ascol Cigarette Co. Ltd.

